



Sierra National Forest

Special Use Permit Holders Process to Access Permit Area

Due to the Creek Fire, a Forest Closure Order has been implemented to provide for public safety. The Forest Closure Order allows for those who hold a Special Use Permit to access their permitted area if certain criteria are met prior to approval. This document describes the process a Special Use Permit holder is to follow to gain access.

Prior to approval of access, the Forest Service would perform a Safety Analysis including:

- Consultation with the Incident Management Team to determine when it is safe to enter the affected area including local fire behavior, road conditions, hazard trees etc.
- Presence of hazardous materials analysis (if applicable)
- Presence of geologic hazards (if applicable)
- Coordinate with local Sheriff's Office to enter permit area. Determine if desired location is in an evacuation order area
- Line Officer gives authorization to permit holder via signed FS7700

The following are the steps a Special Use Permit holder should take to gain access to their permitted area.

Step 1 Access information and download forms

- Visit the Sierra National Forest Website
 - SNF Website. <http://www.fs.usda.gov/sierra/>
- Download the FS7700 (Entry Authorization Form/Mission Description Form)



Step 2 Complete and email forms

- Complete the FS7700 (Entry Authorization Form)
- Email both forms to the Public Affairs Officer: SM.FS.sierraninfo@usda.gov



Step 3 Await approval

- If approved or denied, the Forest Service will contact you directly
- You will be provided with a signed copy of the FS7700